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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : YOKOTA et al.  
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Customer No. : 6449

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed on or before May 7, 2007.

***Amendment to the Claims*** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

***Remarks/Arguments*** begin on page 15 of this paper.